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In re Application of:)
Sebastian SUERBAUM et al.)
Serial No.: 09/015,078)
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For: CLONING AND CHARACTERIZATION)
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Examiner: Sharon L. TURNER

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action dated May 19, 2003 (Paper No. 25). Applicants submit that a one month extension is sufficient, because the Office was closed Friday, September 19, 2003. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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